Recreational Opportunities

Bird Watching – Bicycling - Fishing – Hiking – Hunting – Outdoor Photography – Wildlife Viewing

Rules and Regulations

Conservation areas are closed from 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. except for authorized camping, fishing and hunting activities.

- Use of fireworks is prohibited.
- No littering.
- No open fires.
- Camping is permitted only in designated areas and is limited to 14 consecutive days in a 30-day period. Groups of 10 campers or more must obtain a special use permit.
- Vehicles are only permitted on public roadways and in parking lots.
- Dogs must be leashed when not used for traing or hunting.
- Nuts, berries, fruits, edible wild greens and mushrooms may be taken only for personal consumption. Cutting or removing other vegetation is prohibited.
- Horseback riding is not permitted.
- Bicycles are allowed only on roads open to vehicles and service roads.
- No target shooting allowed.
- Swimming and scuba diving are not allowed.

Fishing and Boating

Fishing and frogging are permitted under statewide regulations. The following special regulations also apply.

- On impounded waters, daily limits are six black bass, four catfish in the aggregate (channel, blue and flathead catfish) and 30 crappie. All other fish are not to exceed 20 in the aggregate. All black bass between 12 and 15 inches in total length must be returned to the water unharmed immediately after being caught.
- Fish may be taken only by pole and line and not more that three poles and lines may be used by one person.
- Seining or trapping live bait, including tadpoles, is prohibited on all impounded waters and their discharge channels.
- Electric motors only are allowed.

• Lake access road open May 10 to August 31, dry weather use only.

Hunting and Trapping

Area is open to hunting under statewide regulations with the following exceptions.

- For more information on deer and turkey hunting regulations, refer to the Fall Deer And Turkey Hunting summary.
- Only portable tree stands may be used and between Sept. 1 and Jan. 31. Stands must be identified with the name and address, or conservation number, of the user. Screw-in steps or other materials that would damage the tree is prohibited.
- Decoys and portable blinds are permitted, but must be removed from the area daily. Blinds may be constructed on-site, but only from willows and non-woody vegetation.
- Trapping of furbearers is allowed only with special use permits. Contact area manager.
- For more information on deer and turkey hunting regulations, refer to the Fall Deer and Turkey Hunting and Spring Turkey Hunting summaries.

For local information, contact:

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(Regulations are from the Wildlife Code of Missouri and selected statutes of the State of Missouri. Special area regulations are in Chapter 11 of the Wildlife Code. A free printed copy of the Wildlife Code, which lists most area regulations, is available from the Conservation Department. Chapter 11 in its entirety is available at www.sos.mo.gov/adrules/csr/current/3csr/3csr.asp.) Equal opportunity to participate in and benefit from programs of the Missouri Department of Conservation is available to all individuals without regard to their race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability, Questions should be directed to the Department of Conservation, P.O. Box 180, Jefferson City, MO 65102, (573) 751-4115 (voice) or 800-735-2966 (TTY), or to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Division of Federal Assistance, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Mail Stop: MBSP-4020, Arlington, VA 22203.

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